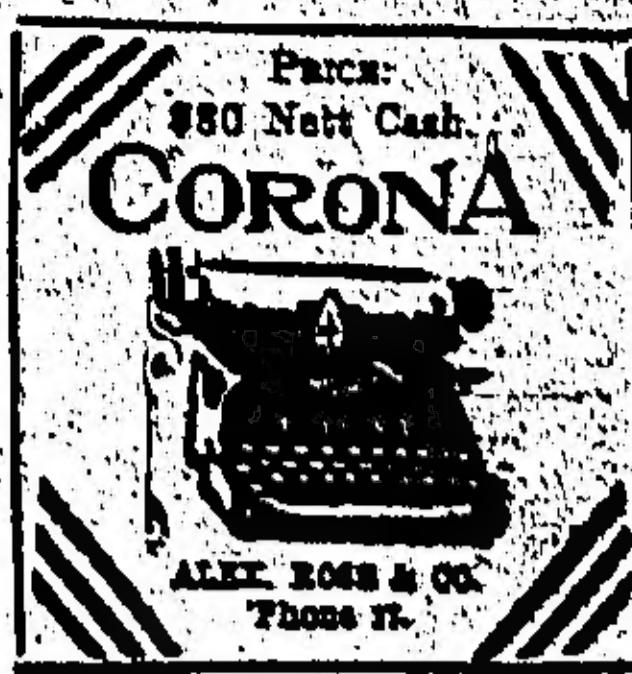


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BRAILLIANT OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Sept. 16.

12.10 a.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports—

The troops belonging to the Third and Fourth British Armies attacked with complete success at 5.20 this morning on a front of about 10 miles between Holton and Gouzeaucourt.

Our troops on the whole of this front, advancing in heavy storms and rain, carried the enemy's positions by assault and swept over the old British trench systems of March, 1918.

They reached and captured the outer defences of the Hindenburg Line in wide sectors.

The weather helped in some measure by decreasing observation in the early stages, so that we were occasionally almost on the top of the enemy before he observed us.

On the other hand, the rain rendered the ground slushy and difficult going. In the gullies the tanks contributed to the progress.

The Germans assembled considerable artillery along the front of the attack, backed by long-range guns firing from well behind the Hindenburg Line, although the latter had to restrict their shooting to the comparatively few targets previously registered, which did not constitute serious obstacles to the advance.

The German Alpine corps was carrying the brunt of the resistance and putting up a stout struggle around the key position of Ephey.

The morale of some other enemy Divisions is poor and, although the machine-guns generally stick to their guns until the last, the infantry shows a readiness to surrender.

The Australians made good progress on the right, capturing Ascension Farm, which is a strong redoubt

north of Fresnoy and Villers, upon the spur dominating the St. Quentin Canal.

The general impression is that it has been a good day for the Allies.

The one spot where there is comparatively little progress is around the point of the Franco-B

INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.

In accordance with the provisions of the new Articles of Association of the Company, the Board of Directors have this day declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND for the First Half Year ended 31st June, 1918, of THREE DOLLARS (\$3.) per Share.

Dividend Warrants may be obtained on and after at the Company's Office and after the 2nd September, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to 30th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

Hongkong, Sept. 12, 1918. 748

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

An INTERIM DIVIDEND of ONE DOLLAR (\$1.) per Share for account 1918 will be payable on THURSDAY, the 15th August, 1918. Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office St. George's Buildings, Hongkong. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th August, 1918, to THURSDAY, the 15th August, 1918, both days inclusive.

SHewan, TOMEY & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, July 30, 1918. 833

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED will be held at the Offices of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & COMPANY, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, the Registered Office of the above-named Company, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of October, 1918, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon when the abovementioned Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 13th day of September, 1918, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution:

"That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereto, be and the same are hereby approved, and that such Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof."

A copy of the new Articles referred to may be inspected by any Shareholder of the said Company at the Company's Offices in Hongkong or at the Offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, (the Company's Solicitors) at Prince's Building, Victoria, aforesaid, on any weekday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that THESE EXAMINATIONS will commence on MONDAY, December 6th, 1918.

Arrangements will be made to hold the Examination at any place where sufficient number of candidates offer themselves as candidates who wish to be examined at any other place than Hongkong or Shanghai must apply to the Registrar on or before October 3rd, 1918.

Forms of entry and all particulars can be obtained on application to the REGISTRAR, The University, Hongkong.

The entry form, duly filled in, must reach the Registrar, together with the fee (Ten Dollars, Hongkong Currency), on or before October 9th, 1918.

The Examination will be conducted according to the "Regulations for the Senior and Junior Local Examinations and for the Matriculation Examination 1918."

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THE DUTCH CONVEY TO
THE EAST INDIES.

UNPRECEDENTED VOYAGE.

[By Aeneasibis, Hera.]

The dramatic act in real politics is frequently an act of folly. The Dutch people may find that to be their experience as a consequence of their Government's decision to despatch a group of merchant ships to the Dutch East Indies under escort of a man-of-war. The whole circumstances surrounding the project are singular as to merit examination:

In the first place we have Holland with Germany as her near neighbour on the one hand, and Great Britain as her near neighbour on the other, the former being a military Power and the latter a naval Power; and far away are the East Indian colonies of Holland, from which she draws a large revenue. Between the Netherlands and these colonies lie the seas, commanded by the British Fleet, and steamship and steamship, of Nederlands, as well as the "Bengalik," either a German or a British vessel, as the case may be. Ships will leave Rotterdam, Texel about middle of June, and, arriving on voyage areas declared by belligerents to be dangerous, will proceed round Cape of Good Hope. Steam coal will be replenished as far as necessary out of the "Bengalik," either in neutral ports or at sea outside territorial waters of belligerents. Duration of voyage estimated at about three-and-a-half months.

In those circumstances this project is developed. Let there be no misapprehension. Apart from the naval and political issues raised, also dangerous to Holland, the convoy must throw a heavy expense on the Dutch people at a moment when they have incurred our sympathy owing to the expense and privation which the war has thrown upon them. This voyage will probably cost them at least half a million sterling and perhaps, well nigh twice that amount. But there is more in it than that. The cost which the ships will incur apparently, the German cost—that is my information—the price to be paid being over £4 a ton. Nothing is said in the White Paper which has been issued as to the real, rather than ostensible, ownership of the three merchant ships which will be employed in this adventure. Are they entirely Dutch, or are they partly owned by Germans? The question is of some importance, because the interest of the Germans in Dutch shipping, particularly the Shipping and Coal Company of Rotterdam, has always been considerable.

Convoys on a large scale would require enormous quantities of coal, and the objection to sending ships to the East Indies consists in the supply of coal. We have in these times experienced everywhere that the refusal to supply bunker coal prevents navigation. If we wish to send convoys, we should by sending a collier with the convoy and that the Government intend to do—have to try to tranship coal on the way at sea, and endeavour to reach the colonies without calling at a coaling port. But this can, in the present circumstances, only be done on a limited scale on account of the quantities of coal required. For this reason the Government propose to limit it to Government personnel who have to be relieved, and to Government goods which have to be despatched to the Government of the Netherlands East Indies. This imposes such a demand upon our stock of coal, and therefore on the coal of our industries, that it is the limit for the present.

REGARDING THE BRITISH BLOCKADE.

In these circumstances, the preparation of the little fleet proceeded to the ignoring of the Power enforcing the naval blockade and to the ignoring of the economic conditions to which Holland, largely owing to the sale of goods to Germany, has been reduced. By the end of May the preliminaries had been settled, although in the meantime the British Foreign Office had sent word to The Hague that the British will exercise the belligerent rights of visit and search of merchant vessels should the Netherlands Government carry out their proposal. We, who have fought for our sea rights, could not do less than make that declaration, particularly in view of the disregard shown to the blockade by the Minister of Marine in making his original statement of intention. Within

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 5th day of October, 1918, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31 July, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th September to 5th October, 1918, both days inclusive.

By Order,

M. MANUK.

Secretary.

Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1918.

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KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

MEMBERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Club House, on MONDAY, September 30th, 1918, at 1.30 p.m.

BUISNESS:

Report and Accounts for 1917-1918. Election of Officers for 1918-1919. General.

L. J. BLACKBURN,

Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon, Sept. 20, 1918.

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KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

MEMBERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the OPENING of the NEW GROUND will take place on SATURDAY, Sept. 28th, at 3.30 p.m.

Members, Friends and Members of the Sporting Clubs are cordially invited to attend. There will be Cricket, Bowls and Tennis matches.

L. J. BLACKBURN,

Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon, Sept. 20, 1918.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

WAR CHARITIES.

[To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL"]

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Summer Vacation of the Supreme Court commences to-day, and terminates on October 17.

A Havas message states: Marcel Monnier, the famous China and Far East explorer, author of Chinese drama, has died in France.

General Tang Pao-chun and Major-General Han Lin-chin will probably be appointed military attachés in London and Washington respectively within a few days, says a Reuters telegram from Peking.

On account of the bad weather the C.R.C. "At Home" and the Tennis League matches between the Champions and the Rest in Divisions A, B, and C fixed for to-morrow afternoon have been postponed to some other date which will be notified.

The two Shanghai units for American Red Cross service in Siberia, consisting of five doctors and eleven nurses, were to leave Shanghai for the scene of action in the North last week. A locally organised and equipped ambulance and motor car unit of five motor supply wagons and two motor ambulances, with five drivers, was to leave about the same time. American Red Cross units of doctors and nurses are also being organised in Szechow and Peking and they are in Shanghai and in those cities to form volunteers for services at the front and more women workers in the Red Cross supply workrooms.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS

KIDNAPPING.

The Criminal Sessions were resumed, this morning, before Sir William Rees Davies, K.C., Chief Justice.

Tang Hung Chi was charged with kidnapping a boy aged 5 years, on August 17, on the a.s. Kin Shan.

The accused pleaded not guilty.

The Attorney General, the Hon. M. H. Kemp, C.R.E., appeared for the prosecution, and the accused was undefended.

The jurymen were: Messrs. E. B. Raymond, G. M. Xavier, F. F. Roberto, L. A. Rose, S. Baker, C. L. da Rosa and P. A. Cordero.

Opening the case, the Attorney General said the prisoner was charged with the detention of a child, on board the a.s. Kin Shan, on the way down from Canton to Hongkong, with the intention of depriving the father of possession of the lad. The case was quite short and simply but was interesting from the legal point of view, because the offence was not committed within the territorial limits of the Colony. The child was stolen in Canton, a place with which the Court was not concerned.

The charge here was the detention of the child on the way down from Canton on a British steamer.

That took place on the steamer in the Canton river, because accused was arrested and tied up on board the steamer long before he reached Hongkong, but because the offence took place on board a British steamer there was jurisdiction here to try the man for the offence. In the old days, the offence would have been tried by the Lord High Admiralty. Now the Lord High Admiralty jurisdiction has, by statute, been conferred on the Courts sit on land in His Majesty's dominions, under the Admiralty Offences Colonial Act of 1849. The mother of the boy who was stolen would tell the jury that she left her home in the country on account of the floods. Her house collapsed and crops were destroyed. She went to Canton to visit her sister, taking her children with her. Whilst in Canton, on August 17, the little boy went out at about 12 o'clock and disappeared. The mother went to look for him, and gave information to the Police but the boy was not found again in Canton. On the same day a watchman on board the Kin Shan which had left Canton that evening about 4.30 saw a little boy sitting amongst the cargo, crying, and with him was the prisoner. The watchman's suspicions were aroused and he questioned the accused who stated that the child was his brother. The watchman did not believe the story and had the prisoner tied up and upon arrival in Hongkong handed him over to the police. It was afterwards discovered that the little boy was the child who had been missed in Canton. When charged, the prisoner denied kidnapping the child.

Evidence was then taken after which the jury found the accused guilty.

His Lordship's sentence, according to five years' hard labour and to receive fifteen strokes of the birch.

CHRONIC DIARRHOEA.

BE you subject to attacks of diarrhoea? Keep absolutely quiet for a few days, rest in bed if possible, be careful of your diet and take Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. This medicine has cured cases of chronic diarrhoea that physicians have failed to do so. It will cure you. Send us your complaint and we will send you a specimen.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

[To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL"]

is now so familiarly known as the "Dark Regiment" before the War is brought to a close, shall in every way be afforded the same opportunities and advantages enjoyed by those who now glory in the name of "old St. Dunstanter." The numerous support given by your Society, and our many other kindly sympathisers in Hongkong, goes to allay any anxiety I may feel on this score, and is a happy augury for the future of the unknown numbers who may have to fight life's battle under such new and difficult conditions."

The Chairman, Queen Mary's Royal Naval Hospital, Southend-on-sea, writes: "The Committee of this Hospital cordially appreciate the generosity of the Hongkong War Charities Fund, as shown by the contributions received from them, that they beg to ask permission to call one of the Wards 'The Hongkong' Ward, in order to more closely identify this Hospital with Hongkong which is in so many ways bound up with the British Empire."

"The Hospital was founded in August 1914, and is the largest voluntary War Hospital in the United Kingdom, its position immediately overlooking the Estuary of the Thames being particularly suitable for Naval cases.

At the request of the Admiralty, the Wards were opened to receive Belgian sailors from the Battles of Liege and Antwerp, and these were succeeded by Canadian sailors directly from the British Expeditionary Force during the earlier battles in Flanders.

Subsequently more accommodation was required for Naval cases the whole of the 350 beds were placed at the disposal of the Admiralty who have kept them constantly filled—a Naval Ambulance Train bringing fresh patients each week.

In all 7,000 patients have been treated and 1,500 operations performed by the Medical Staff. Notwithstanding the fact that every kind of case has been taken we have been fortunate in having only 40 deaths during the 3½ years the Hospital has been open—a percentage of less than 5½ of 1%.

"Recently we have experienced great pressure on our beds, owing to the large number of casualties we have received from the historic actions at Zeebrugge and Ostend, and we have been requested to provide a further 50 beds to meet emergencies."

The acknowledgments from which these few extracts are taken would make a small volume; many and not the least interesting of them are from "smaller charities" which are "discovered" and dealt with by Mr. Stewart out of the sums remitted for distribution at his discretion.

"I have made a new departure in contributing to Comforts Funds for Soldiers at various Hospitals, believing that good work is being done in cheering up the wounded by such means as are provided by those funds. I hope your Committee will approve. If they do approve, a considerable field for future distributions will open out."

"Another new departure is the contribution I have made to a new Club for soldiers disabled in the war. The misfortune of men thus disabled have hitherto escaped public attention. Under the auspices of the Ministry of Pensions a start is being made in the direction of remedying this. St. Dunstan's having so much I thought this Deafened Soldiers' Club might well have a little."

"As regards the Orthopaedic Hospitals, in view of the good work they are doing in providing artificial limbs, I am sure you will agree that it is proper to support them."

There can be no doubt that the Committee will entirely approve his views; and an answer in this sense has been sent to him.—Yours faithfully,

E. R. HALIFAX,

Hon. Secretary,

War Charities Committee.

Sir Henry Proctor, Hon. Treasurer of the Young Men's Christian Association, writes:

"We are just completing two huts at Saltanpo which is a very large camp with something like 18,000 men in the Canterbury area. We shall be glad to use your money for the two huts and name them both after the donors if you agree. I think you could not have better ones for your money."

"Two huts, one at Purfleet and another at Hurst Park, which have just been requisitioned as urgently needed, have been provided out of the St. George's Day subscriptions and marked 'Presented by St. George's Society, Hongkong.'

From the Central Prisoners of War Committee:

"We are indeed indebted to many good friends in Hongkong. The money now sent (£2,500 by the St. George's Society) will be utilised for the benefit of prisoners of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, The Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, The West Yorkshire Regiment, and the Labour Battalion, and separately from the prisoners for whom we are making the contributions of the War Charities Committee."

The Mayor of Dover writes:

"The principal object of the Dover Patrol Fund is to give immediate relief to the widows or others who are dependent on the deceased and who so frequently need much relief, paying receipt of assistance from the Government. Frequently also, the Widows or Parents come to this town to claim the relief they receive the news of the death of the husband or son, when they are cared for by my Committee during the time they stay here."

"I may add that in order that there shall be no overlapping in the distribution of our funds I am in constant touch with the Grand Fleet Fund and with the Navy League and all cases brought forward for relief are carefully investigated without forgetting the primary object 'Immediate Relief.'

"I shall be glad if you will kindly convey to the St. George's Committee my deep sense of gratitude for their generosity."

Sir Arthur Pearson writes to the St. George's Society:

"A tablet recording the circumstances of this donation (£2,500 by the St. George's Society) is being erected in the Hall of the National Institute for the Blind, which is as is generally known, responsible for the after-care of the men who pass through St. Dunstan's."

"It is my earnest wish that the many new recruits who I fear must join what

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Officers next for duty: "Belchers, Lieutenant, Hall, Lyneham, 2nd Lieutenant Hill, Stonemutter, Lieutenant Stevenson. Instructions for higher ratings and N.C.O.'s and men of the Infantry Battalion attached for duty."

Class 1, at Belchers at 6.30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays for all who have not passed the "Proficient" rate (1/2) examination.

Class 2, at Belchers at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays for all N.C.O.'s and men of higher ratings under Staff Sergeant, Ovenden and Parsons R.E., and Sergeant Day, H.D.C.

Class 3, at Lyneham at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, under Staff Sergeant, Hartley and Q. M. S. White, R.E.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

"A" Company.

MONDAY, 23rd Sept.—

5.15 p.m.—No. 4 Platoon at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course.

Part 2, Practices 8 and 9. Dress, drill order with pouches.

TUESDAY, 24th Sept.—

5.15 p.m.—No.

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

FURTHER FRENCH ADVANCE.

DESPERATE ENEMY RESISTANCE.

MORE POINTS CAPTURED.

London, Sept. 19.

1.15 p.m.

A French communiqué states:—During the day our troops, operating in conjunction with the British Army, progressed in the region west of St. Quentin.

Between Holnon and Essigny-le-Grand on a front of ten kilometres, notwithstanding desperate resistance, we advanced our lines to an average depth of two kilometres and reached the western outskirts of Francilly and Silency.

We captured Savoy Wood and Fontaine-lès-Clercs, and further south we hold the southern outskirts of Conches. We approached Essigny-le-Grand and took several hundred prisoners.

North of the Aisne we continued to progress west of Joux. The enemy delivered strong counter-attacks on the plateau east of Alleran. Our counter-attack drove the enemy back and resulted in fresh gains of ground and 130 prisoners.

FRENCH TWO MILES FROM ST. QUENTIN.

INFILTRATION TACTICS ALTERNATE WITH RUSHES.

VAIN ATTEMPT TO HOLD UP ALLIED ADVANCE.

London, Sept. 19.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing this evening, says:—

General Debony's Army continues to advance in the direction of St. Quentin, in conjunction with the British.

In the north very vigorous resistance was offered by the Germans in few hundred yards in front of the Hindenburg Line, which runs west of the town whose suburbs form part of the defences. Groups of infantry, abundantly supplied with machine-guns, are dotted everywhere, endeavouring to hold up our advance, but in vain, for the French are alternating rushes with infiltration tactics and are steadily progressing. They are now only two miles from the suburbs of St. Quentin and are already holding some of their old trenches on a wide stretch of front.

GERMAN ARMY DISCOURAGED.

BY ALLIED SUCCESS.

LOW MORAL OF ENEMY TROOPS.

London, Sept. 18.

Reuter's Correspondent at American Headquarters, telegraphing this afternoon at 5 o'clock, says:—

Patrols report that the enemy is mining Haumont, suggesting his intention to leave, but he is strengthening the dugouts at strong points along the Hindenburg Line. Much movement of men and wagons is noted in the vicinity of Mars-la-Tour, Comblain and Chambley.

Five prisoners have been taken belonging to the 14th Storm Battalion. Such battalions are never used for line work, except when the enemy is hard pressed for reserves. The prisoners are agreed on the lowness of their own moral and admitted that the Army is greatly discouraged by the British and American successes.

BRITISH ATTACK WITH LIMITED OBJECTIVES.

TO PIERCE OLD MARCH LINE.

London, Sept. 18.

Reuter's Agency learns that this morning's British attack was with limited objectives, to pierce the old March line. The enemy fought well.

An important feature of the advance is that the British not merely passed their old line of March 21st, but attained very great success near Bellcourt, where the St. Quentin Canal, which is practically an integral part of the Hindenburg line, runs three or four miles underground. This tunnel begins near Bellcourt and ends near the village of Catelet and L'Empire. The heights commanding the tunnel are now largely in British hands, and the Germans at this point cannot hope to oppose the advance of the tanks by flooding the country.

RAPID DEVELOPMENTS FORESHADOWED.

MARSHAL FOCH'S AIM.

SMASHING THE HINDENBURG LINE.

Paris, Sept. 18.

The Military experts of the newspaper *Evenement* foreshadow developments in the immediate future. Henceforth, he says, the struggle will continue uninterrupted. Several sectors are equipped for the offensive, giving Marshal Foch a variety of choice.

The first great aim is the smashing of the hinge of the Hindenburg Line behind the St. Quentin-Laon line, causing the obliteration of the hinge salient from Flanders to Armentières.

BALKAN OFFENSIVE.

ENEMY REINFORCEMENTS BROUGHT UP.

CONSIDERABLE BOOTY TAKEN BY ALLIES.

London, Sept. 19.

A French Eastern communiqué states:—

Despite important reinforcements hastily brought up and the desperate defence, the Allied offensive continued successfully on the 17th. All the day's objectives were reached and attacks developed on a front of 35 kilometres. We reached a maximum depth of 15 kilometres.

The Serbians, co-operating with the French and the Hellenic detachments, after a severe struggle, captured the villages of Zovik and Stravica, and the heights of Polichitsa and Bachichevo, north of the river Gradasitzka. The village of Gradesitzka was captured, despite a fierce resistance.

The enemy continues to abandon enormous material.

FIGHTING IN SIBERIA.

CZECHOSLOVAKS NEAR KAZAN.

CITY SAID TO BE IN RUINS.

Amsterdam, Sept. 19.

The *Rheinische Westfälische Zeitung* states the Czechoslovaks are strongly entrenched near Kazan with plenty of artillery, and claims that Kazan is held by the Soviets but is a mere heap of ruins.

BULGARS AND GERMANS REPULSED.

ALLIED ADVANCE: DEVILISH.

Paris, Sept. 19.

The Press military experts, in analysing the Macedonian offensive, express the opinion that the entire massif east of the Cerne Bond will soon be cleared up, enabling developments north of Monastir.

Prilep, Velen, Isop, where the Bulgarians considered they were masters, for everyone should shortly be threatened. The news from Salonika shows that enemy counter-attacks in the Kozukka region, in which the Germans co-operated, were repulsed.

The Allies are continuing their advance on the whole front. The villages of Gradasitzka and St. Ravina have been captured.

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ENEMY PRESS COMMENT ON PRESIDENT WILSON'S REPLY.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 19.

Commenting on President Wilson's reply to the Austrian Peace Note, the *Rheinische Westfälische Zeitung* states: "This cold and chilling scorn and this cool rejection has a more shattering effect than all the semi-official phrases that the man in the White House could have used."

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER ON PEACE.

TO BE DICTATED IN POTSDAM.

LONDON, Sept. 18.

In the Balkans the Allies advanced 10 miles on a front of 20 miles and reached the Cerne river. They captured over 50 guns. The Allied losses were slight.

The Bulgars fought stubbornly on the 15th, after which, without trenches, the opposition was weak.

THE ADVANCE IN THE BALKANS.

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THE ITALIAN FRONT.

REPEATED ENEMY THRUSTS FOILED.

HEAVY ENEMY LOSSES.

London, Sept. 18.

A wireless Italian official report states:—

We repulsed repeated thrusts against our defences at the head of the Sena Valley, and north of the Grappa, inflicting heavy losses.

MUTINY IN GERMAN ARMY.

TROOPS FLYING RIFLES FROM TRAIN.

THE HAGUE, Sept. 19.

The *Les Nouvelles* reports that a mutiny of German troops, mostly boys of 18, broke out at Aix-la-Chapelle, while they were proceeding to the front. The escort fired, killing eight and wounding many others. They were driven into the train, but they flung their rifles out of the windows.

ATTEMPTED AIR-RAID ON EAST COAST.

ENEMY SEAPLANES DRIVEN OFF.

ONE MACHINE DESTROYED.

London, Sept. 18.

The Admiralty states:—During the past 48 hours the Royal Air Force contingents, so operating with the Navy, dropped 12 tons of bombs on the Bruges docks and the Marquette aerodrome. We destroyed 11 hostile machines and drove down seven out of control. Four British machines are missing. Two seaplanes and two aeroplanes engaged a formation of five enemy seaplanes approaching the East Coast. One hostile machine was destroyed. The remainder roared off to the east.

DUTCH MINISTER OF MARINE.

THE HAGUE, Sept. 19.

Vice-Admiral Naquin den Cato, Commanding the Naval station at Willemstad, has been appointed Minister of Marine.

THE LANCASHIRE COTTON STRIKE.

PREMIER'S APPEAL TO OPERATIVES.

London, Sept. 17.

Mr. Lloyd George has sent a letter to the Association of Operative Cotton Spinners appealing to the spinners, in the interests of the men who are fighting, to return to work and leave the decision of the disputed matters in the hands of the Government after an inquiry by the Tribunal to be immediately appointed by the Government.

THE PREMIER'S APPEAL TO BE DISCUSSED.

London, Sept. 17.

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AERIAL ACTIVITIES.

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DEATH OF JAPAN'S FOREIGN MINISTER.

Washington, Sept. 18.

A message from Tokio announces the death of the Japanese Foreign Minister, Viscount Motono.

Viscount Motono, who was 56 years of age, entered upon his diplomatic career as a translator in the Foreign Office in 1890. He has held appointments in Brussels, Paris, and Petrograd. He was Ambassador at Petrograd from 1906 to 1916. Viscount Motono was one of Japan's delegates to the Peace Conference at the Hague in 1900.—E.P.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Sept. 17.

The Silver Market is steady.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT BATTLE.

CONTINUED BRITISH PROGRESS.

London, Sept. 18.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

As the result of yesterday's operations we took possession of Holnon village and took several prisoners.

This morning we attacked north-west of St. Quentin.

Last night the enemy attacked at Mouvres under cover of a heavy barrage and pressed us back to the western outskirts of the village. By a successful local operation at night-time we slightly advanced our line immediately south of La Bassée Canal.

BRITISH NEARER HINDENBURG LINE.

London, Sept. 18.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, states:—

This morning's attack, extending from south of Gonzaucourt to the junction of our right flank with the French Army, partook of the character of an overwhelming movement, carrying the line well into the enemy's outposts and bringing us nearer the Hindenburg system over a wide stretch.

The country hereabouts, consisting of little ridges, gullies and woods, lends itself to elastic defence, which the Germans are now employing. The attack probably surprised the enemy, the night being favourable to the assembly of troops. The preliminary barrage was short and intense. The attack moved in progressive stages, as it was necessary to pause while the enemy pockets were being mopped up. The French are reported to be progressing well in conformity with our own advance, especially in the region of Savoy Wood.

News so far is necessarily scrappy, as rain was falling when the attack was launched, and aeroplane observation as one of the sources of early intelligence is impossible. The weather has since improved. Progress is reported at many places with stiff fighting at or near Fresnoy, Roncq and Epehy. Prisoners are coming in but the figures are unavailable.

FURTHER PROGRESS BY FRENCH.

London, Sept. 18.

A French communiqué says:—West of St. Quentin we probed in the Holnon-Savy district. We have continued to enlarge our gains between the Ailette and the Aisne and progressed to local attacks on the plains east and north of Albert. We captured, in the morning, after a sharp fight, a strongly held point east of Epehy.

The number of bodies found north of Laffaux proves the heaviest of the enemy's losses in the recent fighting.

The Germans, on the Vaise front, made a counter-attack on our positions in the Châlons region and were repelled with heavy loss.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

AUSTRIAN REPORT.

London, Sept. 18.

A wireless Austrian official message says:—

The Italians stormed Tassion Ridge in the Monte Permea region five times,

but were driven back each time, after bitter hand-to-hand fighting.

LATER.—Mr. Lloyd George is convalescent.

THE PREMIER CONVALESCENT.

London, Sept. 17.

Owing to Mr. Lloyd George's indisposition, Lord Beaverbrook's dinner in honour of Australian, New Zealand and South African journalists has been postponed till next week.

LATER.—Mr. Lloyd George is convalescent.

THE SECRET KINGDOM.

London, Sept. 18.

There was a net loss of \$16 news-papers in United States and Canada.

The Germans, on the Vaise front, made a counter-attack on our positions in the Châlons region and were repelled with heavy loss.

One balloon was set on fire on Sept. 15.

Bombing squadrons dropped leaflets at night on enemy stations.

Civilians rushed to their assistance and a great struggle took place before the police arrived.

FRENCH REPULSE ATTACKS.

London, Sept. 18.

A French communiqué states:—

South of the Oise there was artillery activity during the night. Violent enemy counter-attacks in the plateau region, north of Soissons, were without result. We maintained our gains.

In Champagne and Lorraine we carried out *coupes de main* and took prisoners.

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MR. ISAAC'S LIBEL ACTION.

The action for alleged libel brought by Mr. Godfrey Isaacs, managing director of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company (Ld.), against Sir Charles Hobhouse, M.P., formerly Postmaster-General, was resumed on July 23 before Mr. Justice Darling and a special jury in the King's Bench Division. Mr. Isaacs complained of a letter written by Sir Charles after a speech made in the House of Commons with reference to the Marconi Company's contract for wireless telegraph stations in the so-called Imperial wireless chain.

Mr. Leslie K. C., M.P., in the course of his closing speech for the plaintiff, said it was a very grave case, and there had been probably a little too much levity at times in its conduct. It was not for him (counsel) to say whether one side or the other was in or a blackmailed. That was for the jury. Sir John Simon had said the issue was whether Sir Charles Hobhouse was a liar. That was only a secondary issue.

The first issue was a. Was Sir Charles Hobhouse proved that Mr. Isaacs is a liar? Sir Charles Hobhouse had said that Mr. Isaacs was a slanderous and malicious liar, and he had set out to prove the truth of that accusation. The issue was which of these two men was telling the truth.

After the Judge had summed up, the jury retired, and after an absence of just over an hour, found for the defendant, for whom his Lordship entered judgment, with costs. A day was granted.

Sir Charles Hobhouse subsequently wrote to the papers:—

Now that the trial of the action brought against me for libel has ended in a verdict in my favour and my veracity is affirmed, may I be allowed to dispose of the unscrupulous and unfounded suggestion, made and published in so many quarters during the hearing, against my friend, Sir John Simon, who acted as my leading counsel? So far from being eager to get leave from the front to earn money by accepting a "lucrative brief," Sir John was extremely unwilling to suspend his service at the front for the purpose of appearing in Court, and wrote to me from France (where I understand he is returning almost at once) that he could only do so leave, to which he would shortly be entitled, could be arranged to coincide with the trial. Moreover, he stipulated from the first that if he was thus enabled to undertake the defence of the other friend and Colleague (which were the only ground which could induce him to appear) he would not dream of receiving any fee whatever for his services. Mr. Godfrey Isaacs, who has been ordered to pay my costs, of course benefits pro tanto by this condition.

A Winnipeg cable to the Canadian Daily Record quoted by the Central News says: As a result of showing kindness to a stranger who knocked at their door 17 years ago, when he was "down and out," the family of the late Mr. John McKeeg, of this city, has been notified that the person, befriended, John Henderson, has died and left them \$1,600. The family recall that the man knocked at their door when they were at breakfast and they invited him to take a meal with them. Later Henderson went into business in New Jersey and prospered.

WAR PROFITS IN KOREA.

SOME INTERESTING FIGURES.

It will be remembered, says the Japan Chronicle, that in the last session of the Diet a Bill was passed imposing a war profits tax of 15 percent on profits exceeding Y13,000 a year considered to be due to the war. In August last the tax authorities held special conferences to consider the assessment of war profits made by individuals, investigations into the earnings of juridical persons having not yet been completed.

Though exact figures are not yet available, it is understood that in Korea those liable to pay the war-profits tax number 1,924, including 58 foreigners. The list is headed by Mr. Kataiwa Ginjiro, whose personal war profits as assessed by the tax authorities (other than the profits made by the shipping company managed by him) amount to Y357,000, followed by Mr. Yamamoto Hiroichi, an iron and steel merchant, with Y321,000, and Mr. Nakashima Yasunori with Y182,000.

Among foreigners the largest amount of war-profits, amounting to about Y10,000, is assessed to Mr. C. Abdallah, followed by Mr. S. E. Gika and Mr. P. Mohamed with about Y11,000 and Y10,000 respectively. War profits of over Y1,000 are assessed for Messrs. C. Crowther, D. Cox, J. M. MacDonald, and Mr. H. Wilmot, and of over Y4,000 for Messrs. P. H. Mackay, E. V. Dore, and P. Fraser.

In Osaka the persons liable to pay war-profits tax number 1,800. The largest assessment is Y1,800 for Baron Sumimoto, the next being Y1,000.00 for Mr. Kishimoto Kichizemon, a steel and iron merchant. Last year the income of Baron Sumimoto was assessed at Y1,050,000, while the assessment for Mr. Kishimoto was no more than Y980,000. The third on the list is Mr. Iwata Soaburo, a cotton yarn merchant, whose war profits are put at Y430,000.

The war-profits tax for this year is to be paid in four instalments—in September, November, January and March.

21,600 FOR A BREAKFAST.

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LIBEL ACTION AGAINST LORD CURZON.

On behalf of a Catholic priest a writ for libel has been served upon Lord Curzon. The alleged libel appeared in a letter to the English Press some weeks ago on the subject of the Irish clergy and their opposition to conscription.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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THE BALKANS.

OFFENSIVE SUCCESSFULLY CONTINUED.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

The successful continuation of the Dobropolje offensive is combined with considerable liveliness north of Monastir and at Cerne Bond where the Bulgarians report French attacks which increase the expectations of certain Allied enterprizes.

The captured Bulgarian lines lay in the mountains at an altitude of four and five thousand feet. Progress must be slow, but it is doubted whether the Bulgarian resistance can at present equal the efforts of two years ago. There is the clearest evidence that they have lost their aggressive spirit while the reorganisation of the Greek army is a significant event.

Present conditions in Europe are likely to play a conspicuous part in Eastern operations.

A BIG BREACH IN THE BULGAR FRONT.

PARIS, Sept. 18.

A Hayas message says:—The new offensive on the Macedonian Front has resulted in a big breach in the Bulgarian Front, the French, Serbs, and Vlachs taking 4,000 prisoners. Mr. Balfour said that it was a prelude to greater successes in which British and Greek troops would take an equal and glorious part.

THE PEACE NOTE.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S REPLY UNIVERSALLY PRAISED.

LONDON, Sept. 18.

President Wilson's reply to the Austrian Note is universally praised for the promptitude of its despatch and its economy of language. It is described as a complete answer leaving absolutely no room for misunderstanding, and makes certain that the Austrian proposal will be rejected by the Allies though it is expected the latter will answer in greater detail, possibly reiterating their war aims.

AMERICA'S INTENTIONS.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.

Addressing the Senate, Senator Lodge unqualifiedly endorsed President Wilson's rejection of the Austrian peace proposals. He said the President's curt refusal would end the loose and feeble talk so helpful to Germany. America's position is so plain that even the Central Powers will soon begin to understand it. Germany having brought unnumbered woes upon an innocent world and appealed to lust of conquest, we now mean to put her in physical bonds.

LABOUR'S OBJECT.

LONDON, Sept. 18.

At the inter-Allied Labour Conference, Mr. Gompers declared it was essential that representatives of labour of all the Allied countries should have a single object, namely, the prosecution of the war to a successful issue. (Cheers) American Labourites were determined to do all in their power to assist the Allies and to marshal all their resources in order to drive from occupied territories the armies of the Central Powers. (Cheers)—which should be opposed as long as they obeyed their militaristic and autocratic Governments, who threatened the existence of all self-governing peoples. Therefore, the Conference should endorse the fourteen points laid down by President Wilson as conditions of peace. (Cheers).

GERMANY CONSULTED.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 18.

A Vienna official message says:—The Reichstag says the Government despatched the Peace Note after consultation with the German Government and with the latter's fullest approval. The Note was composed after an animated exchange of views between both Governments.

FRENCH PREMIER ON THE PEACE PROPOSALS.

PARIS, Sept. 18.

A Hayas message states:—M. Clemenceau re-opening the Senate made a stirring speech equivalent to the French reply to the Austrian peace proposals. For half a century France has been subjected to base abuses by the enemy. A terrible account has been opened by the nations and will be paid by Germany, who wanted a military decision. France will follow all right-thinking humanity with French soldiers. M. Clemenceau's powerful reply will ring throughout the world with crushing effect on the opinion of the Central Empires.

LABOUR AND GERMAN SOCIALISTS.

LONDON, Sept. 18.

The Labour Conference received a committee recommendation that an endeavour should be made through the Austro-Hungarian and Bulgarian socialists to get the German majority socialists to define their attitude at an International War Aims Conference, to which they are at present the only stumbling block.

POLITICAL SITUATION IN HUNGARY.

A SIGNIFICANT CONFERENCE.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 18.

Premier Wekerle arrived at Vienna on Saturday and had an audience with the Emperor on Monday. It is believed the audience had reference to the political situation in Hungary which, according to the Budapest correspondent of the *Local Anzeiger*, is most critical. It is assumed the Wekerle Cabinet will shortly resign.

FOOD RIOT IN HOLLAND.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 18.

Six persons, mostly children, were injured in the course of a collision between food rioters and the military in the Jordaan district last night, when shops were plundered and demolished. The Burgomaster has warned parents to keep children indoors.

AMERICAN WAR FINANCE.

ANOTHER LARGE APPROPRIATION.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.

The War Department has asked Congress to provide \$7,347,000,000 in addition to previous estimates for the enlarged American military programme of the coming year.

NEW AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO LONDON.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.

Mr. John W. Davis, of West Virginia, Solicitor General of the United States, has been appointed Ambassador to Great Britain.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND CZECHOSLOVAKS.

GERMAN COMPLAINT OF AUSTRIA'S IMPOTENCE.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 18.

An article in the *Rheinische Westfälische* bitterly complaining of the impotence of the Austro-Hungarian Government to stem the rising tide of Czech-Slovak demands gives an illuminating glimpse at the internal situation in Austria. It alleges that the Czechs in Bohemia are openly and haughtily pursuing plans for the establishment of an independent Czech State, that since the Anglo-Americans recognised the Czechs the independence agitation has risen to unprecedented heights and proceeds with such impudence that the Government does not dare to take action against these traitors. Proceeding, the writer condemns silence as encouraging greater provocation and declares the traitors finally say that a Czech State is only a question of weeks or months. The paper states that the *Jaeger's Fais* policy is causing treasonable movements to show openly in the Monarchy's other Slav territories, and concludes by drawing attention to rumours becoming even more definite that Austria-Hungary will be federalised, in conjunction with which the only explanation is that the Vienna Government is no longer capable of stopping the separatist tendencies of the Slav races.

WEATHER REPORT.

September 20, 1918.—No return from Japan and Vladivostock, Pressure has increased moderately over N. China, and with few exceptions, has decreased slightly elsewhere. The anticyclone has increased in intensity and the depression remains over the Gulf of Tongking. The typhoon is probably midway between Luzon and the Ladrones, moving N.W. or N.W.N.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 2.91 inches. Total since January 1st, 36.46 inches, against an average of 73.74 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 21st September:—

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: E. and N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; cloudy, rain.

2.—Formosa Channel: North winds, fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, September 20, 1918.

On London—Bank: Wire ... 38

On demand ... 38
30 days' sight ... 38
4 months' sight ... 38
Credit 4 months' sight ... 38
On Paris—

On demand ... 4204
Credit 4 months' sight ... 5073

On New York—

Credit 60 days' sight ... 873

On Bombay—

Wire ... 38
On demand ... 38
On Calcutta—

Wire ... 38
On demand ... 38
On Singapore—

On demand ... 158

On Manila—

On demand ... 176

On Shanghai—

30 days' sight (private paper) ...

On Yokohama—

On demand ... 1603

Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) ... 43.30

Sovereigns (buying rate) ... 85.60 nom.

Silver (per oz.) ... 85.60 nom.

Bar Silver in Hongkong ... 85.40 nom.

Chinese Copper Cash ... 32 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cent ... 32 p.m.

Rate of New York Interest ... 4.75 p.a.

Chinese Sub Coin ... 42 p.m.

Hongkong Sub Coin ... Par.

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